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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON
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SUBJ: REACTION TO ABM PROGRAM

REF: A. STATE 40622 B. WELLINGTON 435

1. IN RECENT DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR, EXTAFF SECRETARY
LAKING EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH PRESIDENT'S DECISION.

2. SO FAR, ABM PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SUBJECT OF COMMENT OR
CONVERSATION HERE. PRESS AND RADIO COVERAGE HAS BEEN FACTUAL
BUT MODERATE. COUNTRY'S LEADING PAPER AUCKLAND HERALD CARRIED
RELATIVELY GENEROUS COVERAGE, ONLY EDITORIAL COMMENT REMAINS
CHRISTCHURCH PRESS AS REPORTED
REF B. EXEMPT.

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